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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Takafumi ATARASHI, et al.

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For: MULTILAYER-COATED POWDER

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Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action of November 15, 2001, three times extended from February 15, 2002 to May 15, 2002 by the filing of an appropriate Petition and payment for an extension of time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

12. (Amended) The multilayer-coated powder according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of each unit of the coating layer is selected such that each layer has an interference peak or bottom at the same specific wavelength and is determined by fixing a fundamental film thickness thereof which satisfies the following equation (1):